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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM H - JENKINS, ACTING

- 1. WE HAVE RECEIVED A DECEMBER 1 LETTER FROM SPARKMAN INVITING YOU TO APPEAR BEFORE THE COMMITTEE IN JANUARY TO TESTIFY ON "FOREIGN POLICY IMPLICATIONS OF UNITED STATES STRATEGIC NUCLEAR FORCES". RUMSFELD, BUSH AND IKLE HAVE ALSO BEEN INVITED. THE STAFF TELLS US THAT JANUARY 19 IS THE TENTATIVE PROPOSED DATE ON WHICH THEY WOULD SEEK YOUR APPEARANCE.
- 2. THIS SERIES OF HEARINGS MAY WELL NEVER TAKE PLACE. SFRC STAFF TELLS US THAT PERCY IS THE ONLY MEMBER REALLY INTERESTED AND THAT EVEN HE IS SOMEWHAT AMBIVALENT. OTHER MEMBERS ARE IRRITATED AT THE PROSPECTS OF HEARINGS AT A TIME WHEN THEIR FOCUS WILL BE ON INTERNAL REORGANIZATION AND THE INAUGURATION. THEY PREDICT THE TURNOUT FOR SUCH HEARINGS WOULD BE MINIMAL. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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3. THE WHITE HOUSE IS CONSIDERING THE PROPOSAL NOW AND REPORTEDLY WILL DECIDE TO DISCOURAGE SPARKMAN AND PERCY

FROM GOING AHEAD. BRENT PREFERS WE DO NOTHING ON OUR OWN UNTIL THEY HAVE REACHED A DECISION, BUT I FELT YOU WOULD WANT TO KNOW OF THE PROPOSAL. ROBINSON

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